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FOR MATLOCK FROM GARRISON

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OGEN

SUBJECT: OFFICIAL INFORMAL

1. AT LUNCH NOV 16 WITH LUERS AND SOV OFFICERS, FEDOSEYEV MENTIONED THAT DEPUTY CHIEF OF USA DIVISION MIKHAYLOV HAS BEEN NAMED AS AMBASSADOR TO PHILIPPINES, AND THAT OLEG SOKOLOV HAS MOVED UP FROM MULTILATERAL SECTION TO TAKE HIS PLACE AS DEPUTY. FEDOSEYEV ALSO NOTED THAT KOMPLEKTOV NOW HAS RANK OF AMBASSADOR. YOU PROBABLY HAVE THIS INFORMATION, BUT WANTED TO PASS IT ON TO BE SURE. INCIDENTALLY, FEDOSEYEV WAS ACCOMPANIED BY SOVEMBASSY COUNSELOR CHET-VERIKOV, WHO HAS BEEN WORKING CLOSELY WITH BEN ZOOK ON ARRANGEMENTS FOR GOVERNORS' DELEGATION.

2. FOR BENSON FORM WILKINSON: YALE RICHMOND SEEMS VERY CONCERNED TO GET YOUR AGREEMENT THAT DURING UPCOMING REVIEW TALKS, EMBASSY REPRESENTATIVES WILL TAKE THE LEAD IN
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DISCUSSIONS ON THOSE MATTERS IN WHICH THE EMBASSY PLAYS THE PRINCIPAL OPERATING ROLE. AM I MISSING SOME BACKGROUND? IS IT NOT ACCEPTABLE TO YOU THAT YOU OR OTHER EMBASSY REPRESENTATIVE WILL SPEAK TO MOST OF SPECIFIC QUESTIONS INVOLVING US ACTIVITIES IN THE USSR AND WE WILL COVER ACTIVITIES HERE? PLEASE CONFIRM.

3. FOR COMBS FROM MCCALL: SORRELS THANKS YOU FOR YOUR TROUBLE BUT HE WILL NOT RPT NOT BE COMING TO MOSCOW.

4. JOE NEUBERT PASSES ON WORD THAT ROBERT S. JORDAN, RESEARCH DIRECTOR OF THE UN INSTITUTUE FOR TRAINING AND RESEARCH WILL BE IN MOSCOW NOVEMBER 23-27 AND LENINGRAD 27-28 AS GUEST OF STATE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MAY CALL IN AT THE EMBASSY AND/OR CONGEN. NO SERVICES REQUIRED. VANCE

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